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Parking Meter Technicians installing new pay stations

The Future of LA's Pay Stations

The Parking Meter Division has begun Phase I of an effort to improve parking pay stations throughout the City with more advanced, solar powered, and user friendly versions. Phase I, on pace to be completed next week, will see the replacement of 130 on-street pay stations with new Parkeon models. Phase II, scheduled to start soon after, will replace 90 off-street pay stations with new IPS versions. These new pay stations are equipped with the latest technology, improving the paying experience for customers. These new friendly versions also improve efficiency, reliability, data collection, and analytics for staff. Special thanks to: Richard Chu, Transportation Engineering Associate IV; David Tiffin, Parking Meter Technician Supervisor I; and Parking Meter Technicians David Lara and Marvin Estrada.

LADOT Employee T-Committee Recognition

Members of the Transportation Committee, along with General Manager Seleta Reynolds, recognized LADOT's finest from Mobility Management and Parking Enforcement and Traffic Control for their outstanding performance and contributions to the City of Los Angeles.

Anita Tang, Management Analyst Mobility Management

Anita has been a long time City employee, first serving as a lifeguard, and then moving onto positions in the Department of Building and Safety, the Controller's Office, and the Treasurer's Office. She spent 10 years at LADOT as contract compliance manager for the Parking Operations Support group, where she became known as a problem solver and an expert on all different aspects of parking citations and adjudication. For the past eight months, Anita has been responsible for launching the electric vehicle car share program. The program, in its infancy, is already drawing local and national attention. Anita's work ethic and ability to establish relationships throughout her career have allowed for a strong start to this program.

Sergeant Susan Rahtz, Office of Parking Enforcement and Traffic Control

Senior Traffic Supervisor Rahtz began her career as a Traffic Officer in 1989. During her 28 year tenure, she has worked a variety of assignments and

has always been characterized as an employee that takes great pride in her work and sets a good example for others. In 2002, Susan was promoted to sergeant and has been working out of our Valley Area Office. Under her direct supervision, a squad of 12 officers handles an average of 350 complaints each day. Last quarter alone, Sgt. Rahtz processed 13,339 complaints of abandoned vehicles. In addition to these duties, Sgt. Rahtz serves as the Valley Office liaison for complaints received from the Mayor's Office and each of the Valley's seven Council Districts. Her leadership and dedication has fostered a work environment that consistently yields high performance and favorable comments from her coworkers.

Celebrating Senior Transit Riders

The LADOT Transit Outreach team attended Council District 9th Annual Senior Luncheon on September 21st, where they engaged with over 200 seniors and provided them information on [DASH](#), [Commuter Express](#), and [Cityride](#).

During this time, the outreach team helped to administer temporary senior TAP cards and provided them with applications for Cityride. This is a great event for the community and LADOT Transit is appreciative of their relationship with CD 9.

The Hollywood Hills Get Safer

This past week, LADOT addressed public safety concerns at critical points in the Hollywood Hills. Our field crews installed special signs fabricated by LADOT's own sign shop to better guide tourists seeking views of the Hollywood sign to on-street parking. These signs will aim to reduce traffic congestion that affects local residents. Special thanks to the Field Crew: Sign Shop Supervisor Louis Fernandez, Traffic Mark/Sign Superintendent I David Sinohue, Traffic Paint & Sign Post III Michael Ford, Traffic Paint & Sign Post I Charles Andrews, and Traffic Paint Sign Post I Julian Zuniga.

Watch: Driveway Hazards and How to Avoid Them

Traffic Officer II Francis Piazza returns to explain why parking in a driveway apron is dangerous, and unlawful. The more you know!

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